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of Staunton.

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of Danville.

## OUR PRIMARY.

The Democratic primary election will be held on Thursday, to nominate two senators and five delegates to represent us in the General Assembly of Virginia.

There are only two candidates for the Senate. These, therefore, will have a "walk over"; but there are ten aspirants for seats in the House of Delegates. The duty of the hour, therefore, will be to select from these five that will best represent our city.

Fellow-Democrats, we urge you to give earnest attention to this matter. Do your duty by going to the polls and there casting your votes for the five candidates whom you consider best qualified to serve this constituency. Let your ticket be a representative one, and one into whose hands the all important interests of our city may be safely committed.

For the Senate you must vote for two names. For the House you must vote for five names—no more, no less.

The next session of the Legislature will be devoted almost entirely to the matter of finance. The uppermost question will be how to increase Virginia's revenue and how to cut down her expenses. A rigid investigation will be set on foot, with the object of finding new subjects of taxation. Many of the measures proposed will probably have a special bearing upon the business interests of Richmond, and if we wish them carefully looked into and thoroughly discussed, we must charge our best men with this duty.

Businessmen, mechanics, workmen, and professional men, each of you has an interest in this subject, and should show it by going to the primary polls on Thursday.

Vote for exactly two senators and for exactly five members of the House of Delegates.

The following are the names to be voted for:

For the Senate—B. B. Munford and C. R. Sands.

For the House—A. Jeff. Vaughan, Jr., C. M. Wallace, Jr., E. M. Roscher, W. F. Reddy, Thomas B. Murphy, John B. Gayle, E. C. Folkes, Walter A. Dunn, P. St. George Barraud, and James Lewis Anderson.

## Primary Thursday.

## DOLSTERING LAMB'S BOLT.

The Hon. Park Agnew, who is the chairman of the Agnew party in this State, has put forth an address to the Republicans of Virginia urging them to discountenance the movement led by Colonel Lamb in favor of having a State Republican convention.

Chairman Agnew assumes that Lamb's project has for its object the "disorganization and disruption of the party." And as evidence of the wisdom of the course of the Executive Committee of the Brady party, Chairman Agnew calls attention to the fact, or alleged fact, that the "Democratic partisan papers" are "openly advocating Colonel Lamb's action and exerting their best efforts to bolster his bolt from the Republican party."

It is true that the Democrats of Virginia would like to see a Republican ticket in the field this fall. If the Brady party will not favor us in that respect, we hope the Lamb party will. We don't wish to have a "walk-over." We prefer a contest. Above all, we desire to discuss the issues of the day

with the Republicans and semi-Republicans of this State. There is the matter of "honest elections." When we are charged with being a party of ballot-box stuffers, we should like to have the privilege of showing, not only that we are not the sinners we are charged with being, but that the cry against us comes from a "stop-thief" party.

We dare Chairman Agnew and the real leader of his party in Virginia, Colonel Brady, to take the stump and discuss with our speakers last year's election methods in Virginia. We dare them to nominate any man for Governor who had anything to do with the distribution of the Hanna boodle in Virginia. We dare them to make public any statement of where and how the \$100,000 sent to Virginia by the goldites was used.

We maintain that it is perfectly natural and proper for us to wish to get this information. But only in joint discussions with representative Republicans can we hope to do so. If the Brady party will not meet us on the stump, why should we not wish the Lamb party to do so?

We have no disguises—absolutely none. We would prefer a contest with the United Republican party of Virginia, but if that cannot be, we shall be pleased to cross swords with the Lamb faction, if they will come to town. But we would be the biggest fools imaginable not to perceive that all of the efforts of Mr. Hanna, and of some of the allies that he had in Virginia last year, are being strained to kill off the Lamb movement.

The truth is the Republicans of Virginia are not willing to meet our stumpers to discuss the question of honest elections. With what propriety could any one whose hands are stained with the Hanna boodle get up and talk about "honest elections?" "Honest"—the mischievous and bulldozing of corporation employees were what reduced the Democratic vote in Virginia last year. Hence the Hannaites dare not venture forth to discuss the matter upon the stump, lest they should be subjected to a relentless cross-examination—as they would be.

We admire the shrewdness more than we do the courage of the Hannaites in Virginia. By refusing to follow Colonel Lamb they may destroy his influence, and at the same time escape that arraignment that would surely overtake them when the question of "honest elections" came up.

The game of the Agnew-Brady Republicans will be to keep in the background as far as possible during the pending campaign. Perhaps they are right. They ought to know where danger lurks.

## FITZ LEE.

According to the Washington correspondent of the New York Sun, the President will probably ask General Fitz Lee to return to Havana and continue in office there until the present crisis in the island's affairs has passed.

We suspect that this correspondent's information is correct. It is believed that our Minister to Madrid, Mr. Stewart Woodford, has been charged with the duty of making important representations to the Government of Spain. And it may be that these representations will lead to a rupture between the two governments. In that event, the President would be fortunate to have Fitz Lee as an adviser, and the country would be certain to approve any course thought to be recommended by Lee.

If the situation be as it is supposed to be, General Lee could hardly refuse to accommodate the President by returning to Havana, though it is understood to be his wish to stay at home.

By the way, it is stated that General Lee has had very flattering offers from American lecture bureaux to take the platform this winter.

In yesterday's issue we stated that the Democrats of Lee and Greene counties had determined to ascertain the preference of their people for county judges by holding primary elections. On Monday the Democrats of Campbell adopted a similar course with the view of settling the contest in that county. The subject was also discussed at the Democratic meeting held Monday in Botetourt county, but opinion was pretty equally divided. It was, therefore, resolved that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee. By the way, the Campbell primary election will be held on the day of the general election, November 23. By holding the primary at the time and places of the regular election, it is believed the turn out of voters will be very large and the expenses of the primary very small.

A New York contemporary says: "Twice within the past few days have men been attacked by savage dogs in the streets of this city. There was no suspicion in either case that the dogs were mad or ill in any way, except possibly, in their tempers."

It is a wonder that Richmond does not have experiences of this sort every day. How long are our people to suffer from the dog nuisance which abideth day and night?

Our streets have attained a degree of dirtiness and filthiness that puts them hopelessly beyond the corrective influences of the street-cleaning bureau. Relief can now only come through a succession of heavy showers. As a preparation for these—which will come in time—the mouths of all the culverts should be opened. Many of them are now almost closed by accumulations of leaves, waste paper, etc., etc.

If an injunction could be served upon the mosquitoes which are now trespassing upon property and persons in this city, we should be disposed to mitigate our judgment as to the enormity of their modern method of government. As a usual thing, Richmond is exempt from the mosquito pest, but we are severely tried by these insects this year.

It appears now that General Mendez Capote, and not General Masso, has been elected president of the Republic of Cuba, and Cubans in this country say Capote is a man of great ability and vast energy, and that his election is one of the most important events that have taken place in the war-ridden island for some time.

All the miners in the Pittsburgh district will have returned to work by tomorrow, it is expected, many of them regardless of the ten days' limit. The price of coal in the district referred to has accordingly dropped.

It will take that equinoctial storm, now nearly due, we fear, to agitate the atmosphere sufficiently to bring us permanently cooler weather.

## THE OHIO CAMPAIGN.

The Republican campaign in Ohio was opened Saturday by meetings at three different points in the State. The principal meeting was at Burton, and the principal speakers at that meeting were House-Admiral Foraker and Mark A. Hanna. The people of Ohio will elect this fall a State ticket and a Legislature, and the Legislature will elect a United States senator for the full term to succeed Hanna, who is senator, by appointment of Governor Bushnell, to fill Sherman's unexpired term. In view of this and the fact that the next Legislature will have power to redistrict the State as to congressional districts, the unusual importance of the election to both political parties will be readily appreciated.

Despite the confident tone of the Republican papers in Ohio and elsewhere as to the result, Foraker showed in his Burton speech that he was by no means confident. Aside from declaring that "if the Legislature should be Democratic next winter, the State would be restricted for congressional purposes in such a way as to make the Ohio delegation Democratic as strongly as it was now Republican" and calling attention to the "danger" of a Democrat's being elected senator in place of Hanna, Foraker by negation admitted that there was going on in Ohio a Republican reaction against McKinley. He made a special plea for "Ohio's favorite son," and affirmed that there was not a single reason why anybody who voted for McKinley last year should vote against the national administration this year. Indeed, all that seems to have relieved Foraker's speech from absolute fatalism was a bit of irony in one place and a little exhibition of Munchausenism in another. The irony consisted in his paying a tribute to Hanna, whom he cordially hates, and of whom he is intensely jealous, and the Munchausenism in his involved in his assertion that in six months "the Republican administration had restored prosperity to the country."

Hanna's speech was a distinct disappointment to his admirers, but why it should have been we cannot understand. It is true that it did not, as an Independent Republican contemporary says, rise, taken by and through, above the level of a school-boy's effort. Yet, what else was to have been expected? Hanna is not a political speaker. He is, as we have said before, a political promoter. Any one who supposes that Hanna will rely upon his eloquence to check in Ohio the rising tide against the administration and promote his own interest, doesn't understand Hanna's system of "checking." Any one so ignorant of Hanna's strong points needs to be informed as to his "honest election methods" as practiced in the last presidential campaign. At the same time, it is injustice to Hanna not to recognize that his speech was also brightened by a little exaggeration and irony. Among other things, Hanna said that he was not prompted by selfish motives to leave his extensive business and go into politics, and in addressing the farmers, delivered himself as follows: "Our country is the greatest wealth-producing country of the earth, and you tillers of the soil are charged with the duty of protecting it." When we remember how many business interests of Hanna are being helped by the robber tariff he engineered through, and the burden that tariff places upon the tillers of the soil, the liberty he took with his conscience, if he has any, and his irony, will be very apparent.

We are free to admit that the Ohio Democrats have a desperate fight before them. Republican defeat would be a terrible blow to the administration and wreck Hanna's highest ambition. Therefore, the latter will strain every nerve and employ every resource he can command in order to win, and in the struggle will be backed by all the power and influence of McKinley and McKinleyism. None the less, judging the situation by the lines on which the Republicans are conducting their campaign, the recognition of their leaders that the administration is on the defensive in the State, the spirit that animates the regular Democracy, and the enfeebled condition of the gold Democratic contingent, notwithstanding they have nominated a ticket, there is reason for the Democracy to be hopeful—every reason why the party should make an aggressive fight to the finish. Stranger things have happened in Ohio politics than would be the defeat of the Republican party of that State in the next election.

If anything could be more horrible than the Lucretia murder trial in Chicago, it is the reported fact that Chicago girls are sending flowers to the alleged murderer.

The Bernhardt had a narrow escape from death at Belle Isle-en-Mer, France, Monday, from which we conclude that her season is about to open.

Our health officers cannot be too careful in seeing what is thrown upon the dumps in the penitentiary bottom and elsewhere in the city.

It appears, as we feared it would appear, that the tribesmen on the India frontier, though put down, will not stay down.

The President finds it warm in Washington, we venture to say, in more senses than one.

Water! Water!! Water!!! To the Editor of the Dispatch:

If on this earth there is one thing more necessary than another for the life and health of human beings, it is water, and of this element, given by the Creator for the use of His creatures, a large number of the poor of this city are deprived. This is a subject demanding the serious consideration of our city fathers whose duty it is to provide some way by which the poor shall be supplied with water free of rent. Numbers of them can scarcely provide bread for their families, and are entirely unable to pay \$3 a year for water; consequently, they suffer in every way. Sickness ensues from the lack of cleanliness, and the poor souls can only get water to quench their thirst by stealing it at night from their neighbors. In the past year numerous cases of illness have occurred among the poor, requiring large amounts of water to be used, and none being on the premises, it was carried by the neighbors from their houses to relieve the suffering families, and this done at the risk of being fined by the city. Something ought to be done promptly to relieve this state of affairs. Already there are a number of cases of fever and other summer diseases in various parts of the city, probably caused or aggravated by the lack of water.

For the sake of humanity, let the poor have the water intended for them by the Almighty who created them.

## HUMANITY.

## A Disgrace.

(Norfolk Landmark.)

If we mistake not, the prison room in our State penitentiary is a disgrace.

The last Legislature ought to have

taken action to provide more room. Let us hope that the press of the State will agitate the question, so that the coming General Assembly will dispose of the matter properly at the coming session—The Fredericksburg Free Lance.

It is a fact that the men's cells in our penitentiary are utterly inadequate. They are horribly crowded, and this, too, though as many prisoners as it is practicable to send away have been sent to the State farm.

We doubt if there is any prison in any English-speaking land where the cells are as overcrowded as are those in the Virginia Penitentiary—Richmond Dispatch.

This is a disgraceful state of affairs. It is absolutely imperative that the next Legislature take the matter in hand and provide additional room. We had better stop speculating as to whether or not England is doing as much as she ought to do to relieve the famine-sufferers in India. If we are to continue crowding prisoners together like dogs in our State penitentiary, it would be well for us to refrain from commenting upon what we may regard as inhumanity elsewhere. Virginia cannot afford to allow this cruelty to go unchecked, and it should be necessary to argue such a point with the State's lawmakers.

## EASTERN SHORE.

### Schooner Sunk—Staves Lost—Hurt in a Runaway.

ONANCOCK, VA., September 14.—(Special.)—Mayor Thomas W. Taylor, of Onancock, who owns a steam saw-mill near Walkerton, King and Queen counties, received intelligence yesterday that the schooner Genet, with a cargo of barrel-staves from his mill, had grounded on the bar at the mouth of Occohannock creek. He went at once to the scene and found that the schooner, in attempting to enter the creek, had run aground on the bar and sunk, losing the entire deck-load, amounting to about 50,000 staves. Occohannock is in the southern part of Accomac, and is one of the boldest estuaries of the Chesapeake bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Northam, of Onancock, were out driving yesterday, when their pony became unmanageable and began to run and kick. One of the reins broke, and Mr. Northam managed to pull the pony into the corner of a fence. The carriage was overturned, and Mr. and Mrs. Northam were thrown violently against the ground. Mrs. Northam was painfully bruised about the body and had one of the small bones in her right hand broken. Mr. Northam escaped with a few slight bruises. They are both advanced in years.

The remains of Mrs. Evelyn May Perkins, who died last Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Tiffany, of Baltimore, were brought to Accomac yesterday and interred at Mount Calvary, on the seaside. She was 83 years old, and had been a notable woman in her day. She was a Miss May, of Petersburg, and her first husband was the late Judge Thomas H. Bayly, of Accomac, who served in the House of Representatives for many years, and was chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means before the war. She subsequently married the late Judge John Perkins, of Louisiana.

The weather continues intensely hot here, the hottest September yet, according to the old people, since 1868.

## Tazewell Mention.

TAZEVELL, VA., September 14.—(Special.)—The little 3-year-old girl of John H. Lewis, Esq., died of diphtheria yesterday, and was buried in the Peery Cemetery to-day.

Judge Robert C. Jackson adjourned Circuit Court Saturday, and left for his home in Wytheville, yesterday.

Rev. W. D. Buckner returned to-day from his usual trip to Poochonts, where he held services in the Episcopal church at that place.

Messrs. John Henry Smith, Garnett Smith, and D. C. Gillespie have left for the University of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Preston, of Abingdon, are on a visit to his brother, Henry Preston, Esq., and will remain here several days.

## Vandeville In.

(Cincinnati Enquirer.)

"I saw Jones this morning," said the "with an awful cut on his head that his wife had given him. He was hurrying as fast as he could to the doctor."

"To the doctor!" interrupted the gentleman with the bald wig.

"Now, to the barber's to have it cut right!"

The riotousness of the ensuing business was, perhaps, the most realistic presented in any place of entertainment at the price.

(For the Dispatch.)

The London (Eng.) Tobacco Trade Review has the following original geometrical problem in Euclid sent it—What does it spell?

Three parts of a cross, a circle, a triangle above two feet; Two semi-circles, W. E. D.

## Been Tried Before.

(Chicago Record.)

"What is this telegraph without wires?"

"Well, when I was young they called it 'making eyes at the girls.'"

## Ought to Be Reversed.

(Chicago Record.)

"Charles Dudley Warner says that gum-chewing is a remedy for grief."

"It was a large crowd, and the grief were a remedy for gum-chewing."

## Neighborly Love.

(Kansas City Star.)

In breaking the record for rapid ocean travel the steamer St. Louis proved, beyond doubt, that there is nothing in a name.

## Maudie Up-to-Date.

(Chicago Daily News.)

Maud Miller on a summer night was riding her wheel under a light. With graceful hump and a bicycle face, she scorched along at a merry pace.

When across her path there loomed a man.

And into him Maudie straightway ran. But, alas! to her sorrow he proved to be a police court judge of vice decree.

And she sighed next day as he fined her ten.

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